The record is impressive. Herb is the immediate past-president of the Jewish Federation Council; Chairman Emeritus of the Weizmann Institute of Science; trustee of the Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies and Trustee of Yeshiva University of Los Angeles. Beverly is past chairman of Chai Division of the United Jewish Fund and a supporter of Israel Now and Israel Museum and is a member of Bonds for Israel. This is only a partial list; due to limited space, we are unable to mention every Jewish organization that has been the beneficiary of the Gelfand's generosity and expertise. Suffice to say they have done more, much more, of their fair share on

behalf of Jewish institutions.

Beverly and Herb are also passionate about the arts. Once again they are not content to remain on the sidelines. Herb is a trustee of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, a member of the board of directors of the Westwood Geffen Playhouse and former director of the Los Angeles Music Center Opera Association. Beverly is active with the LA County Museum of Art and the American Art Council. We ask our colleagues to salute Beverly and Herb Gelfand, proud parents of three children, grandparents of six, and extraordinary supporters of their community. We are proud and honored to be their friends.

### HONORING SHAWN BECK

# HON. RON KIND

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, March 16, 1999

Mr. KIND. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a local hero from western Wisconsin. I want to honor Shawn Beck who took courageous action to aid another citizen.

For the past three years the Eau Claire Fire Fighters Local Union 487, in conjunction with the Eau Claire Fire Department, have recognized area residents who acted bravely in emergency situations. The recipients of the Citizen Community Involvement Awards are citizens who put the safety and well being of their neighbors ahead of other concerns in a time of need.

Shawn Beck is one of those extraordinary citizens. Shawn was driving down Birch Street in Eau Claire. Wisconsin when a car accident occurred. A woman emerged from one of the cars leaving her nephew alone in the car. The accident left the woman unable to attend to her four year old nephew. Shawn noticed the woman's trauma and her inability to assist the child and rushed over to help the young child. He comforted the child physically and emotionally during this very traumatic time. Shawn did such a wonderful job with the child that when the fire department arrived soon after the accident and was assisting injured occupants they believed Shawn was the boy's father and did not attempt to provide help. By helping the child Shawn allowed the firefighters to do their job and assist the injured woman.

On behalf of all the citizens of western Wisconsin I ask that the United States House of Representatives recognize Shawn Beck for his courage and thank him for being a concerned and giving community citizen.

HONORING THE CAMELOT NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM

## HON. THOMAS M. DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 16, 1999

Mr. DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a neighborhood organization that is making a difference in the quality of life in Northern Virginia. The Fairfax County Mason District Police Department has recognized the participants of the Camelot Neighborhood Watch as one of the most effective crime reduction units in the county. This appreciation celebrates the success of a program which has helped the general crime rate decline steadily since its inception twenty years ago.

The Neighborhood Watch participants throughout Fairfax County are dedicated individuals who selflessly offer their time to improve their community. Camelot has the largest number of active volunteers of any neighborhood watch program in Northern Virginia. As a former County Supervisor from the Mason District, I can attest to the dedication of those involved in the Neighborhood Watch. All of those in Camelot share a tremendous sense of pride in the accomplishments of their Neighborhood Watch.

The individuals who volunteer in this program coordinate with the police so they may keep abreast of criminal activity in or around their community. The time and energy they give in walking their neighborhoods, tracking suspicious activities, people, and cars enable the Fairfax County Police to deter would-be criminals. It is financially and logistically impossible to put a police officer on every street corner, but the Camelot Neighborhood Watch does the next best thing, by recruiting and training neighbors to be the eyes and ears of our police professionals. The savings to taxpayers through the years has been tens of millions of dollars, and the savings in crime deterred has also been measurable. The Neighborhood Watch program in Camelot proudly shows its strength and its numbers to the point where they have been recognized as the Best Neighborhood Watch in Virginia by the Virginia Crime Prevention Association. The participants in this program have proven that getting involved in your community does make a difference. Those who take the time to cast a watchful eye on their surroundings ensure that they have a safer and more friendly place to live. They have even exported their skills in crime prevention, to Watch programs in Harpers Ferry and Shephards Town West Virginia; and as far away as Gettysburg Battlefield Park in Pennsylvania.

The members and coordinators of the Camelot Neighborhood Watch work are one of the most diverse communities in the Washington area. They often bridge culture and language gaps to come together and build safer neighborhoods. The Camelot Neighborhood Watch has lead to a better understanding of different cultures and backgrounds as people recognize that they share similar community values. One of the greatest assets of the Camelot Neighborhood Watch program is the bonds it has built between individuals and neighborhoods.

Neighborhood Watch brings neighbors together. In that spirit, I am proud to recognize Mr. Paul Cevey, the founder of the Camelot Neighborhood Watch program twenty years ago; and Mr. Dave Shonerd, who has helped mold the program in the great success it is today, and built it into a national model.

I know my colleagues will join me in saluting the Camelot Neighborhood Watch organization and the success it has achieved. The Camelot Neighborhood Watch participants have certainly earned a Day of Appreciation. Their work has made the Fairfax County one of the safest communities in our nation.

REPORT FROM INDIANA—BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY

# HON. DAVID M. McINTOSH

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 16, 1999

Mr. McINTOSH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to give my "Report from Indiana" where I honor distinguished fellow Hoosiers who are actively engaged in their communities helping others. Today, I want to mention a true gentlelady from Bartholomew County, Indiana who I had the privilege of meeting recently.

Mr. Speaker, it has always been my strong belief that individuals and communities can do a better job of caring for those who need help in our society than the federal government. The wonderfully kind and committed Hoosiers who I have met traveling around Indiana has not changed my view.

Ruthie and I have met hundreds of individuals who are committed to making our communities a better place in which to live and raise our children—we call them "Hoosier Heroes."

I met a genuine Hoosier Hero in Bartholomew County, Indiana recently. She is Gladys Simmons, a nurse, who is appropriately from Hope, because giving hope is what she is all about.

Gladys epitomizes a "Hoosier Hero." She has worked tirelessly on behalf of the less-fortunate. Gladys has worked with the Red Cross for over 20 years and has been on the Board for 7 of those years.

Gladys' work has given so many people the most precious gift possible, hope. She doesn't do it for the pay, which is zilch; she does it for the smiles and laughter. She is a true hero in my book, doing good works for others with no other motive than Christian charity.

Gladys deserves the gratitude of her county, state, and nation and I thank her here today on the floor of the House of Representatives.

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#### HON. JIM McCRERY

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 16, 1999

Mr. McCRERY. Mr. Speaker, today with my colleague, WES WATKINS from Oklahoma, I am introducing legislation that will clarify the U.S.